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SUBJECT: US-POLISH CULTURAL TALKS

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1. POLISH EMBASSY CULTCOUNSELOR KOZLOWICZ CALLED ON CU/EE DIRECTOR NOV 11 TO DISCUSS ISSUES WHICH POLISH SIDE PLANS TO RAISE AT US-POLISH CULTURAL TALKS, NOV 29-30 IN WARSAW.

2. POLISH AGENDA WILL INCLUDE:A) SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES; B) PERFORMING ARTS EXCHANGES; C) ELIMINATION OF BIAS IN TEXT-BOOKS; D) EXCHANGE OF UNIVERSITY LECTURERS (KOZLOWICZ ASKED FOR LIST OF POLISH PROFESSORS LECTURING IN US THIS YEAR); E) PUBLICATION OF POLISH LITERATURE (IN TRANSLATION) IN US; F) DISTRIBUTION OF POLISH FILMS IN US; G) INCREASING NUMBER OF US CORRESPONDENTS IN WARSAW; H) POLISH PLANS FOR BICENT-ENNIAL.

3. CU/EE DIRECTOR NOTED THAT DEPARTMENT (CU) HAD NO RESPONSIBILITY OR AUTHORITY FOR POINTS C, E, F, G, BUT HE WAS PRE-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PAID TO LISTEN TO POLISH PRESENTATION ON THESE AND OTHER

ISSUES AND MIGHT BE ABLE TO INFORMALLY SUGGEST ACTION FOR POLES TO TAKE. KOZLOWICZ NOTED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD CU'S LIMITED RESPONSIBILITIES IN FIELD OF EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES AND SUGGESTED THIS BE EXPLAINED TO POLISH SIDE IN WARSAW TALKS. DIRECTOR ALSO REQUESTED TALKS BE AS INFORMAL AS POSSIBLE AND THAT BOTH SIDES SHOULD LOOK FOR AREAS IN WHICH PROGRESS IS POSSIBLE. MEMCON WILL BE POUCHED.

4. CAN EMBASSY PREPARE LIST OF POLISH LECTURERS AT US UNIVERSITIES THIS YEAR? LIST NEED NOT BE COMPLETE, BUT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF IT IS AT LEAST AS LONG AS LIST OF US LECTURERS IN POLAND.

5. RE SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES, REQUEST EMBASSY REMIND MFA OF UPCOMING FIRST MEETING OF JOINT BOARD UNDER OCT 8, 1974 AGREEMENT ON JOINT FUNDING OF S AND T. ANY DISCUSSION OF SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES AT CULTURAL TALKS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO THOSE GRANTS FUNDED UNDER CU PROGRAM. KISSINGER

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